

Abstract

The invention relates to a strand-form vehicle seal, which is equipped with a flexible reinforcement with U- or C-form cross section, or one derived therefrom, as well as method and devices for its production. The vehicle seal according to the invention with a flexible strand-form reinforcement is distinguished thereby that the reinforcement forms a strand of at least two different substances, which is comprised of individual sections of a nonmetallic, soft-elastic material together with individual sections of another nonmetallic, however dimensionally stable and rigid material, with the individual sections in the reinforcement being disposed intermittently each alternating one after the other. The portions of the reinforcement comprised of a nonmetallic, however dimensionally stable and rigid, material with U- or C-form cross section, or one derived therefrom, form the clamping portions of the reinforcement, the soft elastic sections disposed between them lend flexibility to the reinforcement and both contiguous types of sections of the reinforcement are embedded entirely or partially into the soft material of the vehicle seal and form with it a profile strand. Through the U- or C-form cross sectional form, the dimensionally stable and rigid material receives the capability of being clamped tightly on the body parts of the vehicle, whereby the securement of the strip-form vehicle seal on the vehicle becomes possible. In this manner the metal-free strand-form vehicle seal is obtained, which is easier to process, dispose of and recycle. The vehicle seals are placed onto a projecting edge, but they can also be set into a groove.